

METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR EXCHANGING INFORMATION, SUCH AS
INFORMATION RELATED TO MATERIAL SUBSTITUTIONS AND
SPECIFICATION SUPERSEDURES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and systems for providing up-to-date materials and processes information. In one embodiment, a computer-based system allows suppliers in a global supplier base to access current information about materials and processes used in the manufacture of parts and assemblies. Such information can include material substitutions and specification supersedures. In one aspect of this embodiment, the computer-based system allows a company that orders parts and assemblies from these suppliers to periodically update this information to ensure the suppliers have access to current information.